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Tuesday - 25 March 1969

25X1 1. [ ] Met with Lieutenant Colonel Seymour Schwiller, on the staff of the Joint Committee on Atomic Energy. I provided him with briefings on compartmented security categories and obtained secrecy agreements from him on these.

Picked up from the Joint Committee staff a letter from Ed Bauser, Executive Director of the Committee, to the Director on the subject of possible commercial use of classified U.S. information by some of our NATO allies.

25X1 2. [ ] I happened to see Senator Stuart Symington (D., Mo.) who advised me that in Senator William Proxmire's (D., Wis.) Subcommittee meeting a statement was made to the effect that the Agency had a budget of two billion dollars. The Senator said he knew this was wrong and he wanted to straighten this out in a hurry. He said he would like information on this, especially what percentage of the intelligence budget was ours, what percentage was DIA's and what percentage went to others. I told the Senator I would check on this and be back in touch with him. He said he was anxious to move on this quickly.

25X1 3. [ ] Received a call from Miss Barbara Wells, House Post Office and Civil Service Committee staff, who advised that Representative Daniels will be meeting with the Subcommittee on Retirement, Insurance, and Health Benefits in executive session and is expected to report out H. R. 770 during the afternoon.

25X1 4. [ ] Talked to Representative David Henderson re S. 782 (Ervin bill) and showed him copies of our recent correspondence with Senator Ervin re appearing in executive session. See Memo for the Record.

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Friday - 21 March 1969

25X1 1. [ ] Richard Kimmel, Clerk for the Joint Committee on Atomic Energy, called to say that the Atomic Energy Commission had suggested that they get in touch with us to obtain a copy of a "report on the Moscow ABM system dated September 1968 and having something to do with DIA." I told Kimmel I would look into this and be back in touch with him. I talked with [ ] of OSR, who said it would be difficult to identify this document without further information and at his suggestion I have contacted Mr. Andy Summers in Doctor Riegle's office at AEC in an effort to determine the specifics of the documents and how AEC happened to make this suggestion to the JCAE staff.

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25X1 2. [ ] In connection with my earlier meeting with him on the subject of student revolt, (see Journal of 11 March 1969). I advised Robert McCaughey, Administrative Assistant to Senator Karl Mundt, that I had been unable to find out anything about the incident which he mentioned supposedly involving a student who was arrested in New York and found to have in his possession a check drawn on a Chinese Communist bank. I asked McCaughey if he could provide any additional details on this and he said he could not. I advised McCaughey further that we would be in touch with him early next week to have someone come up and talk with the Senator about the international aspects of student unrest. In response to my query, he indicated that representatives of the FBI had briefed Senator Mundt on this subject several days ago.

25X1 3. [ ] Called Ralph Devlin, House Post Office and Civil Service Committee staff, to obtain his prognosis on the Daniels bill (H.R. 770) dealing with financing of the Civil Service Retirement Fund and liberalizing benefits. Devlin feels a compromise version will be reported out. See Memorandum for the Record.

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5. [ ] Met with [ ]

DIA, and discussed DIA's reports to congressional committees concerning free world shipping into North Vietnam. The two principal officers kept up-to-date on this matter on a monthly basis are Representative Charles Chamberlain (R., Mich.) and Senator Harry Byrd (D., Va.).

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6. [ ] Spoke with Mr. Robert Hull, Depart-

ment of State, to determine whether the Department is considering action on comparable benefits if any or all of the Daniels bill amendments (increasing Civil Service benefits) receive favorable action. Hull said there had been some tentative consideration of the matter, but felt that their preoccupation with problems facing the Foreign Service Retirement and Disability Fund is a major obstacle in any further liberalization of the system. See Memo for the Record.

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connection with a request from Paul Kreisberg, Department of State, for a resume of a sensitive case for Senator Thomas J. Dodd (D., Conn.). Dodd is requesting an appointment with the President on behalf of a constituent who is the mother of one of the individuals involved. Miss [ ] said she would get the case into her command channels. Although this office has been in touch with Senator Dodd on this case in the past, it was concluded that we should not interject ourselves in this current situation unless further developments indicate that this would be desirable.

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9. [ ] Mr. Wayne Granquist, Administrative Assistant to Senator Abraham Ribicoff (D., Conn.), called asking that I drop by the office tomorrow in connection with matters he feels are within the Agency's jurisdiction and involving an investigation by the Senate Permanent Investigating Subcommittee, which is being headed by Senator Ribicoff.

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1. [ ] Talked with [ ] Legal Advisor at NSA, and asked him about NSA's testimony before the Pike Subcommittee. [ ] indicated that the briefings went well, in fact, from his viewpoint, they went too well. They are very much concerned about leaks which have come out of the Subcommittee since their appearance in executive session. [ ] pointed out that with increasing frequency members of the Pike Subcommittee are commenting in open session on testimony given by NSA in executive session.

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I also queried Mr. [ ] on the subject of the Ervin bill (S. 782) and specifically what action NSA has taken on this. It is clear from [ ] comment that NSA is doing nothing on the Hill regarding the bill. They are apparently under instructions from DOD and are also preoccupied with the Pueblo hearings. I brought [ ] up-to-date on the status of our work on S. 782 and asked if NSA had asked to appear before the Ervin Subcommittee in executive session. He said they had not but they would seize on such an opportunity if it became available.

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2. [ ] Dorothy Fosdick, Staff Director of the Senate Subcommittee on National Security and International Operations, called to say that Senator Henry Jackson (D., Wash.) had agreed to meet with the Rumanian Ambassador later this week and he would like any background information we can provide on the Ambassador. He would also like to know whether he (Jackson) has been singled out as a contact or whether the Ambassador has been in touch with other members of Congress. I told Miss Fosdick we would provide the background information and I would see what we could do on the matter of contacts.

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3. [ ] Dee Kirbow, on the staff of Representative William Scherle (R., Iowa), called and asked if we could arrange a follow up interview for Mr. [ ] with Mr. [ ], Office of Personnel, who was taken sick on the day when he was first scheduled to see [ ] (in [ ]'s absence he was seen by [ ] Arrangements have been made for [ ] to see [ ] tomorrow at 2:30 p.m.

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6. [ ] Left the Agency pamphlet and the Raborn interview with Penelope Schreiner, in the office of Senator Frank Church (D., Idaho), for use in replying to a constituent, [ ]

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7. [ ] Left with Carolyn Peachey, in the office of Representative Sam Steiger (R., Ariz.), the Agency's professional brochure for use in replying to a constituent, [ ]

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8. [ ] Spoke with George R. Berdes, Administrative Assistant to Representative Clement J. Zablocki (D., Wis.), concerning [ ] on whose behalf Berdes had written to the Agency. I noted that [ ] is known to the Agency as a serious scholar, but that the work he is proposing is not of such a nature that the Agency could sponsor him. I suggested that Berdes might wish to contact the Department of Defense in this regard as to whether the Rand Corporation or the Institute for Defense Analysis might be interested in the subject matter.

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10. [ ] Mrs. Woolbert, Administrative Assistant to Representative Otis G. Pike (D., N.Y.), called to express the Congressman's appreciation for the [ ]

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[ ] She said the Congressman would appreciate this material prior to his next Subcommittee meeting which is scheduled for 10:00 a.m. on 14 March. [ ] [ ] said the material would be pulled together and at least part of it would be available for delivery to Pike's office tomorrow.

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STATOTHR 6. [redacted] In response to his call, met with Mr. Bruce Merkle, Administrative Assistant to Representative William Bray (R., Ind.) who advised that their office has been queried concerning

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no response. It would be appreciated if information could be provided for use by Representative Bray in responding to the query he has received on this matter. The Office of Personnel has been advised.

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STATOTHR 7. [redacted] Called J. Sourwine, Senate Internal Security Subcommittee, and informed him that the Agency has no record on [redacted]

25X1 8. [redacted] Miss Puishis, in the office of Representative Floyd Hicks (D., Washington), called on behalf of a constituent to inquire about summer employment. I pointed out the problems connected with this and she readily understood and withdrew the request.

25X1 9. [redacted] Talked with Ed Braswell, Staff Director, Senate Armed Services Committee, about Senator Ervin's responses to the Director's letter requesting an opportunity to appear before Ervin's Subcommittee in executive session to present the Agency's views on S. 782. Braswell repeated his feeling that the Director should now meet privately with Senator Ervin again, expressing in specific terms the Agency's objections to the bill and offering suggested language which would meet the Agency's needs. Braswell urged that we be absolutely certain that there is no way possible for the Agency to live with this bill with anything short of a full exemption. In this connection Braswell mentioned again that senators will not accept the fact that this is a serious Agency problem unless the Director is willing to express the Agency's position personally to them.

In this connection Braswell asked about NSA's position on the bill at this time. He said he had not heard anything from them this year and the assumption is that perhaps NSA is finding ways to adjust to the bill. I told him I was confident this was not the case. He said he might be talking with Jack Stempler, DOD, in an effort to stimulate him into action.

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Thursday - 6 March 1969

25X1 1. [ ] Carl Blake, in the office of Representative Donald Riegle (R., Mich.), called to arrange a meeting with George Carver, SAVA, to discuss the Congressman's trip to Vietnam. After checking with Carver, it was agreed that we would meet in Riegle's office at 4:30 p.m., 7 March.

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25X1 2. [ ] J. Sourwine, Senate Internal Security Subcommittee, called to request information on [ ]  
25X1A [ ], who is travelling in the United States with [ ]  
25X1A [ ] I told Sourwine I would check and be back in touch.

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25X1 3. [ ] Paul Karody, Legislative Assistant to Senator Stephen M. Young (D., Ohio), called on behalf of the Senator to find out the amount of the Agency budget and the number of Agency personnel. I told Mr. Karody that I was not able to supply this information and cited the statutory proscriptions involved. I suggested that it may be reasonable from his position and if he wishes to, to suggest to the Senator that he deal with Senators Russell and Stennis on this matter and he seemed to be agreeable to this suggestion commenting that it would get both of us "off the hook." Then, in the absence of Ed Braswell, I alerted Mr. Charles Kirbow, Chief Clerk, Senate Armed Services Committee.

25X1 4. [ ] Spoke with Colonel Banks, in the office of the Assistant Secretary of Defense for Manpower, concerning H.R. 4204, amendments to the War Claims Act of 1948, and learned that the bill will be reported out in amended fashion and that it is DOD's position that expansion of the bill to include American citizens, among other things, would be best accomplished on the Senate side.

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25X1 12. [ ] Met with Mr. Bun Bray, House Post Office and Civil Service Committee staff, who advised that at Chairman Henderson's direction, the Committee staff is continuing a rewrite of the Ervin bill which originated before the close of the last session. The new bill will include specific exemption for the CIA and additional provision authorizing that the President may exempt such other agencies or components as may be necessary in the interest of national security. Mr. Bray noted that although there appears to be no more pressure at this time on the House side than in the past, that Senator Ervin appears to be exerting considerable pressure himself from the Senate side.

25X1 13. [ ] In response to a request from Representative Paul Findley (R., Ill.) for a briefing on the status of Czechoslovakia's arms shipments to the Middle East and Vietnam, 25X1A arranged for [ ] to conduct the briefing in Findley's office on 7 March at 10:30 a.m.

25X1 14. [ ] Spoke with Colonel Banks, Office of the Secretary of Defense for Manpower, concerning the DOD position on H.R. 4204, amendments to War Claims Act of 1948. Colonel Banks informed me that DOD representatives were not scheduled to testify at the hearing today but that they would sit in; DOD will today deliver to the Committee a letter pointing out certain deficiencies in the bill, primarily related to date and criteria for coverage and authorizing settlement prior to return of POWs. He does not feel the bill will be reported out as introduced and is hopeful that a more comprehensive measure along the lines of H.R. 15545 (90th Congress) would emerge.

25X1 15. [ ] Received a call from Beth Minter, in the office of Representative Marvin Esch (R., Mich.), who requested maps of the Provinces of Vietnam. These maps were provided by the Map Library and forwarded to Miss Minter.

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